

AMUSEMENTS.
COL. WOOD.
Having made a permanent engagement with
SIG. DONETTI'S
—GREAT—
MONKEY AND BURLESQUE
DRAMATIC TROUPE!
Composed entirely of
Acting Monkeys, Dogs and Goats
(As they have appeared in the principal saloons of
Paris, London, New York, Philadelphia, Boston and
New Orleans.) In
Leopoldo Pantomime! Comic Interludes!
Tight and Slack Rope Performances!
Grand Spectacles!!! Equestrianism!!! &c.
With magnificent costumes and appointments,
will exhibit
At Huston Hall, Dayton,
FOR FOUR DAYS!
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday,
JUNE 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th.
The whole to conclude with the Terrible Assocation
of the
Dog John Bull in the Fire-Works!
Doors open open at 7 o'clock. Performance to
commence at 8 o'clock. Performance—Doors
open at 7 1/2; to commence at 8 o'clock.

MR. ADDISON, for Ladies and Gentlemen, 20 cents.
For Children—this being an entertainment peculiarly
attractive and fascinating to families—Tickets
will be put at the remarkably low rate of 10 cents.
Grand Day Performances for Families and Children
ending out of town. my14-17

For Cash—Only!
No. 116, Main street.

N. W. WILSON
HAS JUST RECEIVED THE BEST
and most complete stock of
SPRING & SUMMER
Boots and Shoes

Ever brought to this city, which were manufactured
expressly to his order by JOHN H. DRYERS, of Cin-
cinnati, and acknowledged to be the best Boot and Shoe
Manufacturers in the West.
In addition I HAVE and WILL KEEP ON HAND
a full and varied stock of

My Own Manufacture,
Which, for STYLE and QUALITY is UNSURPASSED.
I am confident I can get up

THE BEST FITTING BOOTS & SHOES
in the city, and I will guarantee satisfaction in all
cases.
Respectfully, **WILSON.**
116 Main street, 2 doors south of the Market.

N. W. W. also keeps a superior article of FRENCH
BLACKING.
No Eastern Work kept at this estab-
lishment. ap14-17

SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE OPENING PARTY AT THE OHIO
White Sulphur Springs will be given on the
NINTH DAY OF JUNE. The proprietor would
wish to see all the patrons and friends of the "Ohio
White Sulphur" present on the occasion.
Society's collection of the day. Attendance—
The members of the medical profession of this and
adjacent States are especially invited to attend the
early as above.
All newspapers in favor of the property of the
Ohio White Sulphur Springs will please send the
above notice. my14-17

The Long Established
Cigar and Tobacco Store.

Munday & Stansifer,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN
IMPORTED & DOMESTIC CIGARS,
AND EVERY DESCRIPTION OF

TOBACCO.
No. 70, Jefferson St., Dayton.

THEY are constantly in receipt of every
description of imported cigars, of the most fa-
vorable Cuban brands.
They manufacture the best quality of all Spanish
and common cigars, and can fill any order made
upon them.
They have Goodwin's Patent Leaf Tobacco—the
most reliable ever brought to this market. They have
also, every variety of chewing tobacco.
They offer their extensive stock of wholesale and
retail, at as low rates as can be had in the West,
and call the attention of Dealers to their stock.
At our superior inducements to the Trade.
Remember the place, 70, Jefferson St., sign of the
Indian Chief. my14-17

May Purchases.

Just received
Chen & Synder Summer Silks,
Organdie Lawns,
French Lawns, Berge Robes,
Printed Berge Grenadines,
Berge Anglaises,
Black Silk Robes,
Plain Black Silks.
OUR Stock is now large and desirable,
and we are offering Goods at GREAT REDUCTIONS
on former prices. We are determined to sell Goods
VERY CHEAP FOR CASH!
JOHN VAN DORN & CO.

MANTILLAS!

Just received a large invoice of
FRENCH LACE MANTILLAS,
CHANTILLY LACE DO
FRENCH LACE POINTS,
CHANTILLY LACE DO

Cloth Reglans and Dusters,
White Berge Shawls.
AT REDUCED PRICES!
JOHN VAN DORN & CO.

FOR SUMMER GOODS, GO TO BRENN'S!
New and Beautiful Styles of
Cassimeres, Vestings,
AND FURNISHING GOODS!
NEW STYLES OF SHIRTS!!!

In which to keep cool during the "Heated
Term."
At **BRENN'S,**
No. 1, Main street, Dayton.

FOR SUMMER GOODS, GO TO BRENN'S!

Dissolution of Partnership.
The partnership heretofore existing be-
tween the undersigned in the practice of the
law, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.
Each of the parties will continue in the practice of the
law at the office heretofore occupied by said firm, and
will promptly attend to all business entrusted to
his care.
N. B. BOLTON,
J. M. KELLY,
June 1, 1889.
(Journal please publish, one week.)

New Dental Office in
Dayton,

No. 124, Jefferson street, near the corner of
Fifth, in the residence formerly occupied
by L. F. Cladin & Mrs. Goodwin.
The subscriber has removed his office from Lima
A. Allen Co., and permanently located as above.
All operations pertaining to the practice of dentistry
will be performed in the best manner, and any
style of teeth inserted that may be preferred.
Particular attention paid to inserting the new
style of Patent Porcelain Plate Artificial Teeth.
J. M. KELLY, D. D. S.
Just send

DISSOLUTION.
Notice is hereby given that the part-
nership heretofore existing between the under-
signed in the manufacture and sale of
this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons
having unsettled accounts with the firm, are re-
quested to call on the undersigned to settle the same.
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The Cincinnati Type Foundry Company is
our authorized Agent to make contracts
and receive for Advertisements subscriptions,
&c., in this city.

TO BUSINESSMEN.—The Empire Job Rooms
are in complete trim, and we are now prepared
to do work of all descriptions in the best style
of art. Call in and examine our work and
learn our prices.

NOTES FOR ADVERTISERS.—Advertisements
for the Empire must be handed into the
office by 10 o'clock on the day they are de-
signed to be published—no later. We cannot
accept insertions there after that hour.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

READING MATTER ON EVERY PAGE

Weekly Advertisements.

Those who desire to have advertisements
inserted in the Weekly Empire should hand
them in by Saturday morning, at the latest.

Our advertising patrons will perceive that,
by our arrangement of reading matter,
their advertisements will be always new—a
very important matter to them.

See 4th page for Telegraph Reports.

THE DAILY EMPIRE is really the only pa-
per in this city which gives the local news,
and fresh items of interest transpiring abroad.
It does not give the news by "fits and starts,"
but keeps up the line of information from day
to day, and from week to week. Price of the
paper only 10 cents per week, payable to the
Carrier, or at the office.

SEARS STREET SABBATH SCHOOL EXCURSION.—
The undersigned will attend at the Friends'
Meeting House on Sears Street to-morrow morn-
ing from 5 to 7 o'clock, P. M. to furnish tick-
ets to those who may wish to join the excursion
of the Sears Street Sabbath School. Particu-
lars as to time and place of which excursion
will be announced at some future time.
MAXWELL P. GARDIN.

ORDINANCE ATTENTION.—You will meet at our
Engine House, this Tuesday evening, June 7th,
at 6 1/2 o'clock, to comply with a request of the
Deluge Fire Company, No. 4, to supply them at
the Public Square.

By order of Jas. Turner, President.
E. C. ELIAS, Sec'y.

THE KNOWING ANIMALS.—Our readers—old
and young—will be in mind that the Donetti
Troupe—those marvellously trained Mon-
keys, Dogs and Goats—will be exhibited at
Huston Hall to-morrow night, Pass around the
square, and let the Hall be filled. It is said by
the thousands who have witnessed these en-
tertainments, to be one of the most interest-
ing presented to the public. Go and see for
yourselves to-morrow evening. No objection
can possibly be urged against the performance.
Remember that the troupe will be here to-
morrow evening, and not this evening, as has
been erroneously stated. It will remain here
four nights, ending Saturday evening.

STREET THROWING.—Last evening a large
concourse of people assembled in the neighbor-
hood of the Public Square to witness the
"throwing" of three of our engines—the high-
est of their ambition was the spike of the steaple
of the St. Clair Street Presbyterian Church, which
they hoped to give a ducking. The Oregon
engine opened the ball by playing on the ball
of the spike—machine being supplied by the
Deluge Engine, which was stationed at the
Basin, about 450 feet distant. We were stand-
ing at a favorable point for viewing operations,
and distinctly saw the water from the Oregon's
pipe spit over the tip of the spike. When the
silvery spray reached the dizzy height, a loud
and prolonged cheer went up.

The Independent Engine was stationed at
the Basin, and a line of hose was brought from
it through the Public Square into St. Clair
Street, in front of the Church. The engine
then supplied itself with water, and threw a
stream through about 450 feet of hose to the
top of the spike! There was no mistake about
this. Cheer on cheer was given as the spark-
ling water jetted over the spike.

The "5's" were at the Basin with their en-
gines, but did not enter into competition. They
were very nice throwing, however, and
showed that for all practical purposes they
were as good as the best.

After the Oregon Company made their suc-
cessful trial, they exchanged places with the
Deluge Company, per agreement; but some of
the washers having been put out of order in
removing the "section," it was found impos-
sible to work her, without considerable delay;
and as it was growing dark, the trial was post-
poned until this evening when the Oregon's
supply her with water.

We will put the Dayton Engines and their
Companies against those of any town in the
State—say of any other State.

GRAND MILITARY AND CIVIC PICNIC.—The
Montgomery Guards (who are always in the van)
will give a grand Military and Civic Picnic
on Thursday of this week, at Sanderfoot Park.
They are making arrangements to have the
most splendid, and at the same time, the most
agreeable excursion of this season, or of any
previous season. They guarantee good order,
and no effort will be spared on their part to
have the affair go off with the greatest elan.
Admission Miller and Band will be about early on
Thursday morning to remind our citizens that
the time has arrived, and that they shall get re-
ady to start. The place of meeting is at the Xenia
Depot at a little after 8 o'clock, a. m., when a
special train will take out the party. The fore-
noon will be passed in parade, and in sport ap-
propriate to such festive occasions. There will
be a dress parade at 2 p. m., after which the
Guard will pass in review before Gen. Vallan-
digham, Maj. Gliss, and other distinguished
military guests. James Davis' string band will
be in attendance, and will furnish music for
those who desire to trip the light fantastic foot
upon the green grass. Many other attractions
are in course of preparation, and it will be
made truly a very delightful trip.

Tickets for the round trip, \$1, including a
gentleman and two ladies. Don't fail to be at
the Xenia Depot on Thursday morning at
about half past 8 o'clock. Guests both milita-
ry and civic, from Troy and Piqua are ex-
pected to be present on the occasion.

THE CONTRA EXCURSION.—The Cincinnati En-
quirer of this morning says that the contra ex-
cursion to Chicago, over the C. & D. J. D.
& M.; and Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago
Railroads, has been named for next Wednesday,
the 15th inst. The excursion will be under the
direction of the above named companies. It
will be a most enterprising—the largest, proba-
bly, every made in the west.

TO BUSINESSMEN.—We again call the
attention of our readers to the announcement of
Mr. Hudson, Superintendent of the B. D. & C.
R. R. in another column. Being well alluded to
on the attractions which lie at the end of that
road, and diffused throughout one of the most
delightful Lakes in the world, we would re-
spectfully urge all who can spare a few days
time, and a few dollars, to make the trip. We
do not know of an investment which would be
more profitably made for the health, for pleas-
ure, for recreation from the cares of business, and
for real enjoyment. The man of sedentary
habits, who is being dragged down to an early
grave by the constant din of business, should
take his family and spend a week or two on the
islands to the Lake. He would feel like a new
man on his return home, and be good for a year
thereafter. Kelley's Island and Put in Bay
Island furnish all the conveniences for living,
and the facilities for employing the time agree-
ably. Besides, they are among the loveliest
spots upon the earth. Fishing is now in its
prime at these places, and the Lake having
just been pulled out of the dock and into the
flood, and he was then dragged by the
lines a distance of several rods, when he brought
up against a post in front of La. Lee's Jewelry
Store. Mr. G. was not hurt much, the skin,
being torn a little from one hand. His little
son sat in the buggy during the affair, as cool
as a judge.

ATTEMPT TO BREAK JAIL.—Yesterday we men-
tioned that a peculiar noise, as of "sudden filling,"
was heard in the hall of the jail, and the
turnkey and assistants entered the place to
ascertain what was going on. After an ex-
amination of several of the "patients," they
ascertained that the man Davis, who is in
charge of robbery, at Zwi-
ler's, had succeeded in sawing the iron nearly
off his feet. He had accomplished the feat with
the blade of a small pocket knife, (prepared
by backing the edge) within the space of three
or four hours! Of course he was properly se-
cured. Great vigilance is required to keep
the prisoners in jail.

WHITE SULPHUR OPENING.—Our readers will
please remember that on Thursday—day after
to-morrow—the White Sulphur Springs will be
opened to the public for this season. The
"opening" will be a brilliant time, and will
doubtless be succeeded by a busy and joyous
season. By a notice in another column it will
be seen that half fare only will be charged ex-
cursionists going to and returning from the
Springs on the occasion of the opening. Ohio
and other States will be well represented on
the occasion; and the people of the Miami Valley
will certainly not lack for attentions, as we
learn that Joseph A. Sweeney occupies the office
He "knows his old friends," and will make
scores of new ones. Get ready for the "grand
opening" on Thursday of this week—it will be
a delightful trip.

TRIAL OF REAPER.—The Reaper trial we
spoke of last week, will take place on the farm
of Walter Keiser, Esq., in a field of barley
about a half mile from the Mad River bridge
on Wednesday the 15th inst. This will be the
most interesting trial of harvesting machines
ever held in the vicinity of Dayton. We expect
there will be from six to ten machines in the
field. The agent is sparing no pains to make
the arrangements perfect and complete. Each
machine is to be represented by its own maker
or agent. Our farming friends would do well
to attend, as there is no better place to see a
machine than in the field.

For further particulars we refer our readers
to Mr. Woodhull, of the Dayton Agricultural
Ware House, who is the agent for the man-
ufacturers in getting up the trial.

THE FAUNKEE SET.—In allusion to the popu-
lar rumor that Queen Victoria is jealous of her
husband, Hiram Fuller who recently saw her
Majesty and suite at the opera says:
"I noticed when the Princess sat and laugh-
ed with the Honorable lady no means danger-
ously beautiful. 'Maid' who sat beside him, he
seemingly leaned toward them, to catch the
joke and join in the laugh."

The Gallant Colonel is, it appears, enacting
the part of a spy upon the Royal family. They
ought to be very discreet, when he is about.
He has contracted to confirm all the gossip
scandal about "Her Majesty and Consort," and
has thus far got along very well. We hope
they kept their private rooms locked, and the
key holes filled with paper.

THE PATRON to a newspaper in the northern
part of the State requested the editor to get
him up a "first rate advertisement." The fol-
lowing is an extract from the performance, which
will all agree is a model—
"T. S. M. respectfully informs the readers of the
Constitution (and they are as numerous as
stars) that the undersigned is still selling his
Goods at ruinous low prices."
The editor made the affair mutually profit-
able, and got pay for his trouble by puffing his
paper in a modest way.

OHIO STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—Our
readers will bear in mind that the Ohio State
Teachers' Convention will hold its Eleventh
Annual meeting in this city on the 6th and 7th
of July. Hon. Herman Canfield, of Medina
county, will deliver the opening address.
Among the papers to be read is one on "Diffu-
sion of Knowledge," by John Hancock, Cin-
cinnati. The Executive Committee will meet here
on the 5th of July.

THE WASHINGTON GUARD BALL.—The Wash-
ington Guard give a Ball at their Armory, cor-
ner of First and St. Clair streets, on next Mon-
day evening, which they design to make one
of the pleasantest occasions of the kind ever
given in this city. The Armory has almost
been made new—the walls have been papered;
gas fixtures have been put up, and the place
put to complete trim. There will be excellent
music in attendance, and good order preserved.
Tickets are only 50 cents, to be procured of
Capt. Schrieck, Jefferson, et.

Although the season has arrived when it
may be called orthodox to angle for bass, it
seems they have not yet all left their beds.
We have seen it fully demonstrated that
"gawking time" is not over. The bass do not
bite well, and it is well enough that they are a
little backward.

Several pairs of fish nets started out from
the city this morning, destined for the "cool
nooks" along our water courses. The air is
breeding to day.

THE Empire is not "confused" about the
Commercial and its sayings, and the Journal
and its sayings. The Empire does not get
confused about trifles. We only alluded to the
fact that the Journal contradicted the Commer-
cial's account of the mass in the Republican
Committee Room—as we presumed—for the pur-
pose of breaking the force of the affair. The
Commercial only corrected itself just so far as
to say that Curwin was very mad, but did not
go out of the room! That is the only differ-
ence between the statements. Just the differ-
ence wisest have demonstrated there is in
"twit twiddle dum and twiddle-dee"—ex-
actly. Our neighbor is right to say—
"Nothing more need be said about that, certainly."
The Journal, then, cares nothing about the
matter, only so far as Curwin is concerned
all right.

We have received from the publish-
ers, Geo. W. & John A. Wood, 142, Fulton
street, N. Y., the June number of "Hunt's
Merchant's Magazine and Commercial Re-
view." It is filled, as usual, with interest-
ing matter, and valuable information. Val-
uable—not only to Merchants and Commer-
cial men—but to all classes of professional
and business men. The matter is gotten up
with great accuracy which makes Hunt a
valuable and reliable reference. Look at
the contents of the present number and the
reader will find such subjects as: France—
its resources, financial difficulties, Railways,
population; industry, commercial policy &c.
Bankruptcy in the currency, an able essay;
history of the banks of Genoa, Toledo, Ohio,
as a commercial city; Journal of mercantile
law, &c., &c. Now, all these are subjects
in which we feel an interest, and concern-
ing which we desire information.

The Cincinnati Gazette of yesterday com-
plains that the Democracy are hard to please,
because they are not satisfied with the Republi-
can ticket and platform. This comes with
exceeding bad taste from a paper that has ex-
hibited a great deal of dissatisfaction at the
work of the Republican Convention! We
expect that there is more than one cook en-
gaged in making broth for the Gazette readers, and
a lame duck is in the affair.

A man was before the Mayor yesterday on
charge of "240" driving. The evidence in the
case satisfied the Mayor that if he did not make
the time indicated above, it was not his fault.
He was fined \$5 and costs—which he paid.
(This latter we mention on account of its rarity.)

The Independent gave us three cheers
last evening, when passing our office. This
expression of good will was grateful to us, com-
ing from a class who are not only good citizens,
but as good friends as are to be found in the
world.

We invite items of interest from ex-
cursionists going out from our city. Our readers
in city and country will confer a favor on us
and the public by giving such news as will be
interesting to the local and general reader.

Madame Colon has just brought a little
chorus singer into the world which promises
to draw well.

Great distress and destitution prevails in
many parts of Australia, especially at Mel-
bourne, where full grown men go about at
dusk, like mendicants, begging for bread, or the
money to purchase it with.

Many of the men of the recently returned
United States frigate Minnesota, have large
sums due them—some as much as \$700—which
is hoped, will be saved from the grasp of the
land sharks.

Two little girls, attending the Primary
School, in Sandusky street, Pittsburg, got into
a quarrel on Thursday last, when one of them
violently knocked the head of the other against
a wall, which resulted in concussion of the
brain. The injured child died.

Much excitement has been occasioned in Ar-
izona by the lawless acts of organized bands
of ruffians, who commit outrages upon life and
property. Five Mexicans had been murdered in
cold blood by a gang of desperadoes, under
the lead of two men named Page and Ake.

French-born men who may visit their
native country at the present time, are liable to
all the inconveniences of conscription, as the
French Government claims military service
from all natives of France who may be found
within its jurisdiction.

It is believed that Napoleon has designs up-
on the Kingdom of Naples—that, in short, he
is endeavoring to re-establish the short-lived
dynasty of the Bourbons.

The citizens of Columbia, Lorraine county,
Ohio, propose to celebrate the Fifteenth Ann-
iversary of the organization of that township by
a grand Pioneer Picnic on the 4th of July.

The New York Tribune, speaking of the
great trotting match between Ethan Allen and
Flora Temple, says: About 12,000 persons
were in attendance, including all classes—men
boasted for their talents, play and wealth, and
others, such as John Murray and Tom Hyer,
no less distinguished for their muscle.

Hon. Solon Borland has purchased an inter-
est in the Memphis Enquirer, and becomes one
of its editors. Messrs. Clemens and Borland
are both Ex-Senators of the United States. The
politics of the Enquirer are Opposition.

A Pike's Peak writer that Denver City is
a log city, containing about one hundred cab-
inets, and that the range in price from \$50 to \$500.
Inhabitants are Indians, Mexicans and white
people—about equally divided—each hard case;
some one killed nearly every week—now and
then one hung.

The late treaty with Japan having opened
the Japanese ports, says the Boston Journal,
the officers of the U. S. frigate Minnesota were
allowed to make purchases, and as a conse-
quence their trunks and store-rooms are loaded
with curiosities and specimens of Japanese
workmanship, which will soon be ornamenting
shelves and centre-tables from Maine to Texas.

Application has been made to the German
Government, in the event that Germany be-
comes involved in the present war in Europe,
and the German ports are blockaded, to permit
steamers carrying the mails of the United
States to pass freely to and from Bremen and
Hamburg, in the same manner as we permitted
the English mail steamers to enter and depart
from Vera Cruz during our war with Mexico.

At Detroit, recently, an ox was killed be-
cause he could not understand the French lan-
guage. The team, consisting of one English
and one French ox, drawing a heavy load
driven by a French driver, was crossing the
track when the express train made its appear-
ance. The driver, in great excitement, imme-
diately ordered his oxen to "stick," the French
word for "halt." The French ox understood
him, and turning off the track, saved himself,
but the English ox, never having studied the
language, pressed further on, and was instantly
killed.

[For the Empire.]
Bible Presentation.

At the regular meeting of the I. O. O. F.,
of Harriet Lodge, No. 331, on the 28th of
May, the ladies of Harriet Lodge and vicin-
ity gave notice to the officers and members
that they had purchased, and on the evening
of the 4th of June, 1889, being the next regu-
lar meeting of the Lodge, would present a
very nice Bible to the Lodge.

It was therefore resolved by the Lodge to
receive the Bible publicly, and gave notice
and a general invitation to the people of
said vicinity to attend and witness the pre-
sentation. On the evening appointed a very
large number of ladies and gentlemen con-
gregated in the Lodge room, when the audi-
ence was called to order by the Noble
Grand, and the following order for the eve-
ning was announced:

1. Prayer by Chaplain.
2. Opening Ode.
3. Presentation by Br. H. A. Stover.
4. Reply by Br. C. D. Kidd.
5. Benediction by Chaplain.

Dr. H. A. Stover, on the part of the ladies,
presented the Bible in the following lan-
guage:

Noble Grand.—On behalf of the ladies of
Harriet Lodge and vicinity I present to this
Lodge this Bible which I now hold in my
hand; it is their wish and desire that you
as the presiding officer of this Lodge, re-
ceive it for the benefit and use of said Lodge.
They have presented it to us, not with the
view of gaining popularity, but from pure
motives, such as always adorn the female
sex and from the high estimation our order
is held in by them. They hope and trust
that we will receive it, that we will appre-
ciate it, and that we will ever be mindful
of the sacred truths contained within its
leaves. But take this simple auditor,
mindful our order will ever be on such a
foundation as is likely to stand as long as
the sun and moon endure.

Then, as the representative of the ladies,
receive from me this tribute of gratitude
with their best wishes for the success of
our order.

Replied to by brother C. D. Kidd as fol-
lows:

Brother Stover—I have been selected by
our N. G. to represent this Lodge on this
momentous occasion. What is the meaning
of this assemblage? This is Lodge night,
and our laws forbid any meeting with us,
save members of our order, yet I see before
me non-members, and more than these—
The fair daughters of our beautiful valley
are here. This must, indeed, be an occa-
sion of great moment, and such it is. We
have thus met here to receive a Bible, which
we have been authentically informed a week ago,
the ladies of Harriet Lodge and vicinity
had purchased with a view of presenting it
to this Lodge.

And as our representative on this occa-
sion, you have presented to our N. G. for
the use and benefit of this Lodge, this sac-
red volume—the book, the best the world
ever produced. Where is a Clay or a
Webster it would puzzle me to find language
to express the thanks of this Lodge for the
mark of respect toward us by those you re-
present. Being none other than a village
pedagogue, I shall not attempt it.

You say they present this book to us from
pure motives, and because our order is held
in such high estimation by them; sir, for
our order thus to be so highly estimated and
appreciated by the mothers and daughters
of our land, is truly gratifying beyond mea-
sure.

Then, as the presiding officer on this oc-
casion, I receive this book, this sacred gift,
for the use and benefit of Harriet Lodge,
No. 331, I. O. O. F. Sir, we will ever be
mindful of the sacred truths contained within
the folds of this Holy Bible; we will ever
be guided by its precepts, it shall continue to
be the foundation rock of our order.

Return to the fair donors our sincere and
heartfelt thanks for their thrice valuable gift;
tell them we will ever be faithful to
our trust; tell them we shall never fail to
remember the widow and the orphan.

The audience after the benediction was
pronounced was dismissed by the N. G., and
it being the hour for the opening of the
Lodge, it was called to order by the N. G.
After the various business of the order, Br.
C. S. Allen made a motion that a Committee
of three be appointed to have the "Bible Pre-
sentation," and proceedings of the evening
published in the Dayton Empire, Journal
and Gazette. Whereupon the N. G. ap-
pointed Br. Adam Clinegar, Br. C. S. Al-
len and Br. Lewis A. Kemp for said Com-
mittee. After which the Lodge closed in
harmony.

For the Daily Empire.

EDITOR EMPIRE.—Sir.—Seeing an article
in your paper headed, "Nipples Tragedy in
Miniature," casting reproach and disgrace
upon one of our ministers, as a friend to
him, and to our community, I deem it my
duty, to respond in reply to that infamous
article. Sir, such reports as appeared in
that article were circulated, until his friends
becoming indignant at the insults, took the
matter up and gave it a thorough investi-
gation which I have no doubt, "P. D." the
author of that article, was aware of. That
consistency, after a full and fair investigation
of the matter, cleared him from all blame
or reproach, not by one half or two thirds
of the members, but by the voice of all.

Now, Sir, I see no reason why "P. D." or
any other person should assail this minis-
ter after he has been tried and cleared as
above stated. We, as citizens, hope that
decency, common sense and good manners,
will restrain "P. D." from issuing any more
articles which the country knows so well to
be false.

S. G. PIERCE.

We learn that the ladies of German Re-
formed Church give a Festival on this and to-
morrow evening at Olegg's Hall, on 5th st.,
near the corner of Jackson, in Oregon. To-
night it will be for gentlemen and ladies—ad-
mission 25 cents. To-morrow evening for the
young folks—admission 10 cents.